(b) whether it is a fact that shortage of eggs is due to the death of a large number of chicks which have died of bumboro disease,

(c) whether any vaccine has been developed to prevent bumboro disease, if so, why the vaccine was not distributed in time, and

(d) whether Government will ensure adequate stock of such vaccines in veterinary hospitals and rural units?

THE MINISTER OF STAT$_E$ IN THE MINISTRV OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM), (a) and (bi No. Sir.

tc) and (d) Vaccine against Gumboro (not Bumboro) disease has been developed in the country and is freely available in the market. Its import is also freely permitted. Th$_e$ State Governments can store this vaccine according to their requirement.

Increase the support price foodgrains

1541. SHRI GAYA SINGH:

SHRI RAM: JETHMALANI.Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the support prices of foodgrains specially, wheat, rice; pulses and coarse grains (maize, great and pearl millets) have been increased in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, when were the support prices increased alongwith the percentage of increase in each case. What were the prices of these foodgrains in June, 1991 and June 1994 as a result thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that this increase in the Support prices was due to constant increase in the cost of agricultural productions;

(d) if not, what were the other rea sons therefor and what has been the per centage of average national increase in the cost of agricultural production on account of increase in the price of fertilizers, electricity, agricultural implements seeds and wages etc. during the Jast three years; and

(e) what has been the percentage ot increase in the total agricultural production in the country during the last three years, vear-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE AHNISTRY OF AGRICULTURE fSHRI ARVIND NETAM): ($_a$) to (d) Tbe Government fixe$_s$ ^{eac}" season the minimum support prices of major agricutural commodities, A statement showing minimum support prices fixed for 1990-91 to 1993-94 crop years alon* with percentage increase in each cagB is enclosed, (See below).

While formulating recommendations in respect of minimum support prices the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) takes into account not only a comprehensive over-view of the entire structure of the eennomy of a particular commodity but also a num ber of factors like cost of production, changes in input prices, input/output price parity, trends in market prices, de mand and supply situation, inter-crop pric$_e$ parity, effect on industrial cost structure, effect On general price level, effect on cost of living international market price situation and parity bet ween prices paid and prices received. Thus, the cost of production i"i only one Of the factors which go into the deter mination of the minimum support prices and the Commission does not follow a mechanical approach in evolving the price policy. Moreover, the cost of production estimates are generated al state-level onlv. The national cost of production of tne crops is not worked out .

fe) As compared tb the previous year, the All India total Foodgrains Production fell down by 4.5 per cent in 1991-92 and thereafter has increased by 6.9 per cent in 1992-93 and likely to increase by 11 per cent in 1993-94.

Statement

Minimum support prices of foodgrains during the last three years.

(RS. PER QUINTAL)

Crop	Variety	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Peddy	Common FAQ	205 (10.8)	230 (12.2)	270 (17.4)	310 (14.8)
Jowar	FAQ	180 (9.1)	205 (13.9)	240 (17.1)	260 (8.3)
Bajra	FAQ	180 (9.1)	205 (13.9)	240 (17.1)	260 (8.3)
Ragi	FAQ	180 (9.1)	205 (13.9)	240 (17.1)	260 (8.3)
Maize	FAQ	180 (9.1)	210 (16.7)	245 (16.7)	265 (8.2)
Wheat	FAQ	225 (4.7)	275* (22.2)	330* (20.0)	350 (6 1)
Barley	FAQ	200 (11.1)	210 (5.0)	260 (23.8)	275 (5 8)
Tur (Arhar)	FAQ	480 (12.9)	545 (13.5)	640 (17.4)	7 0 (9.4)
Moong	FAQ	480 (12.9)	545 (13.5)	640 (17.4)	7 00 (9.4)
Urad	FAQ	480 (12.9)	545 (13.5)	640 (17.4)	700 (9.4)
Gram	FAQ	450 (6.9)	500 (11.)	600 (20.0)	640 (6.7)

* Including a Central Bonus of Rs. 25.00 per quintal.

Figures in Brackets are the percentage increase in Minimum Support Prices over Previos Year

कोंकण के सागर तट पर मत्स्य-ग्रहण पत्तन (फिशरीज पोर्टस)

1542. **श्री सुशील कुमार संभाजीराव शिन्दे** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कोंकण के सागर तट पर मत्स्य-ग्रहण पत्तन (फिशरीज पोर्टस) विकसित नहीं किए गए हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि रत्नागिरी, हर्णे आदि सभी पत्तनों पर तलमार्जन (ड्रेजिंग) की सुविधा भी उपलब्ध नहीं है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इन पत्तनों पर तलमार्जन (ड्रेजिंग) की सुविधा और अन्य सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराएगी ;

(छ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(च) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?